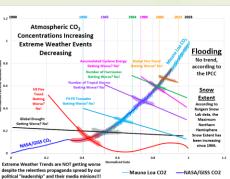


CO<sub>2</sub> Ideology, Not a Driver



## **OPPS-28** CO<sub>2</sub> Ideology Does Not Drive the Climate

The basic Catastrophic Anthropogenic Global Warming (CAGW) alarmist narrative tells us that CO<sub>2</sub> is responsible for the rather mediocre warming of 1.07 °C (according to the 2021 IPCC AR6 Report) since the pre-industrial era (the depths of the Little Ice Age). Too bad the empirical data does not back up the narrative. In fact, there is no empirical CO<sub>2</sub>/Temperature data set that shows CO<sub>2</sub> driving the climate on any statistically significant historical time scale (basic to the Scientific Method).

On the other hand, there are plenty of data sets that show CO<sub>2</sub> is having at best marginal impacts. In Greenland, ocean cycles are far more important to temperatures than CO<sub>2</sub>. Greenland temperatures will drop over the next few decades (as the AMO declines) from an already mediocre 1.0 °C/century rise. CO<sub>2</sub> contribution in Antarctica is even more pathetic. Temperatures are statistically flat. But of note, the coldest six-month period ever recorded in

Antarctica occurred in 2021. Note, almost 100% of the land ice on the planet resides in these two critical areas. And no, there is little to no risk that this ice can melt before we reach the limits of our ability to produce CO<sub>2</sub>. If the ice were to melt, it would require a far more

53 - CO<sub>2</sub>'s Moneyball Moment post for links and more detailed discussion. The plot to the left shows Sea Levels plotted against CO<sub>2</sub>. There is a whole lot going on here that has little to nothing to do with CO<sub>2</sub>. Since CO<sub>2</sub> and Sea Levels just do not correlate, you must look elsewhere for causation. The ocean cycles are the logical reason (counterintuitive to the alarmist mindset) the sea levels

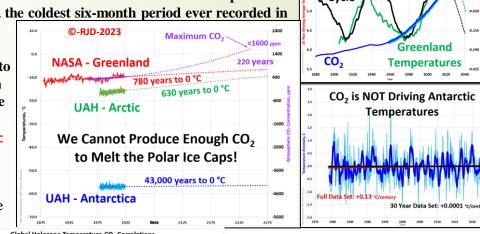
are changing. Remember the oceans warm the atmosphere, not the other way around. No surprise CO<sub>2</sub> has no discernable impact on sea level change. You can already see the issues with CO<sub>2</sub>-temperature correlation. And you can clearly see that temperatures can fluctuate

significantly with no CO<sub>2</sub> contribution (contrary to the CAGW alarmist narrative). They do not have empirical data on their side. So, what are they hanging their hat on? Computer models that self-admittedly run way too hot and use implausibly high emission scenarios. They also use the models to produce attribution studies to

contribute climate change to current extreme events. Somehow the algorithms seem to ignore that extreme weather events are trending

in the opposite direction to their narrative. The alarmists ignore a lot of things. Solar activity and CO<sub>2</sub> climate sensitivity being the most egregious. Solar activity can easily be responsible for most of the modern temperature record changes (through direct and indirect mechanisms). Based on recent work by Dr. Christy and Dr. Spencer, UHIE is also significant contributor to recent warming. When all the data is considered, the simplistic, unscientific, and ideological all CO<sub>2</sub>, all the time narrative is showing itself for the dangerous and greed driven program it was designed to be. The unnecessary energy policies will lead to millions of deaths around the world, Food policies, the same millions.

Medical policies, millions. So, where are the benefits? The plan is to spend hundreds of trillions of dollars. Surely, the benefits must be enormous. Not! According to "the IPCC Science", the temperature reduction in 2100 would be less than 0.2 °C (and only delay the temperature rise briefly). A look at the GDP effect is just as minimalistic. "Climate Change" will drop our GDP by just 6.6%, The trillions we spend will improve that by 0.8% (less than 20 billion dollars)?



**Driving Temperatures in** 

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